

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An automatic transfer switch controller comprising:
 - a power supply circuit to regulate and filter input power;
 - at least one transformer to convert utility and generator power sources into power supply voltages and voltage sensing sources;
 - 5 a voltage sense signal conditioning circuit;
 - a solenoid driver circuit to drive automatic transfer switch solenoids;
 - an embedded microcontroller configured to control logic functions and to monitor utility and generator voltages and frequencies;
 - a user interface to said microcontroller for operator entry of instructions; and
 - 10 at least one LED indicator interfaced to said microcontroller to indicate operator entry of instructions at said user interface.
2. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said microcontroller comprises at least one analog-to-digital converter.
- 15 3. A controller according to Claim 2 wherein said voltage sense signal conditioning circuit comprises low pass filters configured to remove noise from the power supply thereby enabling said microcontroller analog-to-digital converter to correctly sense voltage and frequency.
- 20 4. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said solenoid driver circuit is configured with relays for powering automatic transfer switch drive solenoids.

5. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said solenoid driver circuit is configured with solid state devices for powering automatic transfer switch drive solenoids.

5 6. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for an exerciser clock adjustable for settings for a preselected number of days.

7. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for supply voltages for at least one of 120 VAC, 208 VAC, 220 VAC and 240 VAC.

10 8. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said transformer is configured for supply voltages of at least one of 380 VAC, 415 VAC, 440 VAC and 480 VAC, said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for supply voltages for at least one of 380 VAC, 415 VAC, 440 VAC and 480 VAC.

15 9. A controller according to Claim 1 further comprising a generator control board configured to interface with said microcontroller and to sense at least one of oil pressure and temperature.

10 10. A controller according to Claim 9 wherein said generator control board is configured with a set of dry contact outputs for starter motor control including at least one of a fuel/run contact output and a start contact output.

20 11. A controller according to Claim 1 further comprising a three phase sense board configured to expand single phase sensing capabilities of said controller to three phase sensing on utility and generator sources.

25 12. A controller according to Claim 1 further comprising a load shed I/O option board configured to disconnect loads before said controller transfers loads to a generator power source, preventing generator over load.

13. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said microcontroller is configured with at least one of a generator cool down timer, a generator warmup

timer, a loss of power delay timer, a generator fail-to-start timer, a generator crank timer, a generator pause timer, a generator overload timer and an utility stabilization before switchback timer.

5 14. A controller according to Claim 1 wherein said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for frequencies of 50 Hz and 60 Hz.

15. An automatic transfer switch system comprising:

an input configured to be connected to a utility power source;

an input configured to be connected to a generator power source;

10 a transfer switch configured to switch a load from said utility power source to said generator power source and further configured to switch the load back to said utility power source; and

an automatic transfer switch controller comprising:

a power supply circuit to regulate and filter input power;

15 at least one transformer to convert utility and generator power sources into power supply voltages and voltage sensing sources;

a voltage sense signal conditioning circuit;

a solenoid driver circuit to drive automatic transfer switch solenoids;

20 an embedded microcontroller configured to control logic functions and to monitor utility and generator voltages and frequencies;

a user interface to said microcontroller for operator entry of instructions; and

at least one LED indicator interfaced to said microcontroller to indicate operator entry of instructions at said user interface.

16. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said microcontroller further comprises at least one analog-to-digital converter.

5 17. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 16 wherein said voltage sense signal conditioning circuit comprises low pass filters configured to remove noise from the power supply thereby enabling said microcontroller analog-to-digital converter to correctly sense voltage and frequency.

10 18. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said solenoid driver circuit is configured with relays for powering automatic transfer switch drive solenoids.

19. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said solenoid driver circuit is configured with solid state devices for powering automatic transfer switch drive solenoids.

15 20. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for an exerciser clock adjustable for a preset number of days.

21. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for supply voltages for at least one of 120 VAC, 208 VAC, 220 VAC and 240 VAC.

20 22. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said transformer is configured for supply voltages of at least one of 380 VAC, 415 VAC, 440 VAC and 480 VAC, said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for supply voltages for at least one of 380 VAC, 415 VAC, 440 VAC and 480 VAC.

25 23. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said controller further comprises a generator control board configured to

interface with said microcontroller and to sense at least one of oil pressure and temperature.

24. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 23 wherein said generator control board is configured with a set of dry contact outputs for starter motor control including at least one of a fuel/run contact output and a start contact output.

25. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said controller further comprises a three phase sense board configured to expand single phase sensing capabilities of said controller to three phase sensing on utility and generator sources.

26. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said controller further comprises a load shed I/O option board configured to disconnect loads before said controller transfers loads to a generator power source, preventing generator over load.

27. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said microcontroller is configured with at least one of a generator cool down timer, a generator warmup timer, a loss of power delay timer, a generator fail-to-start timer, a generator crank timer, a generator pause timer, a generator overload timer and an utility stabilization before switchback timer.

28. An automatic transfer switch system according to Claim 15 wherein said microcontroller is configured to recognize jumper selections for frequencies of 50 Hz and 60 Hz.